# Parks Volunteer Opportunity



### Prairie and Forest Burns - Fall

### Location:

Mines of Spain State Recreation Area 8991 Bellevue Heights Dubuque, IA 52003

### **Dates of Opportunity Availability:**

Opportunity start date: September 30, 2007. Opportunity end date: November 1, 2007. Dates of volunteer service are flexible according to availability. \*Burns are conducted on any day of the week. Volunteer should let park know what days will work.

## **Hours of Service Requested:**

Morning hours are preferred. Requested length of time served in a day is for the completion of the burn, varying from 4 to 8 hours. Burns normally start at approximately 8 a.m. Volunteer should be committed to be able to stay until burn is completed, normally by 5 p.m.

### **Description:**

Volunteer assistance is requested for burning of tall grass prairies, savanna, and forested areas in the park. Work will include preparation of the area, burning, and mop up after burn is out. Volunteer must be 18 years of age or more and be in good physical condition. Park will provide training if needed at the EB Lyons Interpetive Center. Training should be conducted prior to the day of the burn.

Volunteer is responsible for wearing sturdy boots and appropriate clothing for being around fire, also for bringing gloves and a water bottle. Park will provide necessary tools and fire equipment. Safety items supplied include goggles, hard hat, Nomex pants (small supply), and water.

Individuals and groups are welcome to volunteer. The ideal number of volunteers for this project is eight.

#### **Contact Information:**

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